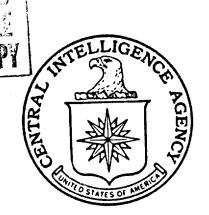
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POLITICAL

ISRAELI COMMUNISTS AGAIN BACK NASIR

The following is an FDD comment.

Late August and early September 1960 Israeli press sources indicate that the Maki (Communist Party of Israel) has changed its line toward Nasir in trying to regain the prestige it lost with the Arab population as a result of switching its support from Nasir to Qasim in the last national elections. On 26 August, the Tel Aviv independent daily Haaretz reported that Tawfig Tubi, Communist Member of Parliament, at a closed party meeting in Nazareth said that the party "erred when it said that Nasir was appeasing imperialism." Tubi added, "Nasir is a stubborn fighter against imperialism."

An article titled "The Maki Again Behind Nasir" which appeared in the Tel Aviv independent daily Yedioth Hayom on 8 September revealed that the new decision in favor of Nasir, "for which the Arab Communist leaders had waited anxiously," came from Moscow. Emil Habibi, only Arab member of the Maki five-man secretariat and described as an extremist Arab leader who at one time favored the establishment of an "Arab section" in the party, is said to have just returned from Moscow with "new instructions" concerning the latest Communist attitude toward Nasirism. According to the non-Communist press, Habibi made a speech in Nazareth on 27 August at the party's first mass meeting since the last elections; this meeting was reportedly attended by about 200 People.

The 28 August Haaretz asserted that in his Nazareth talk Habibi attacked, but did not deny, the statements in Haaretz and the Arabic-language daily al-Yom that the Maki has changed its line toward Nasir as a result of the Soviet line. The Communist organ Kol Haam of 28 August quoted from Habibi's speech as follows: "The USSR and the socialist camp support any nation defending its freedom and its fight against imperialism. International solidarity is the obligation not only of the USSR and the socialist camp, but of any nation and of any patriotic leader fighting for the independence of his country against imperialism."

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SOVIET PRESS URGES COEXISTENCE LINE -- Tokyo, Mainichi, 15 Sep 60

Moscow, 14 September 1960 -- Soviet news organs have recently been aiming their ideological attacks on so-called revisionism and reformism. It is believed that the Soviet plan is to severely attack the revisionism doctrine as practiced by the Yugoslav "bogus socialists" and to oppose foreign dogmatists who are branding the Soviet peaceful coexistence policy as "modern revisionism" and thus create the impression that the CPSU is the "faithful son" of Marxism-Leninism.

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The goal of the Soviet peaceful coexistence line had been clarified by Ponomarev and Zhukov's theses printed in the Moscow Pravda of 12 and 26 August 1960, respectively, by the 1 September Pravda editorial titled "New-Type Revisionism," and by U. Arbatov's thesis titled "History's Motivating Power -- The Classes and the Class Struggle Under the Present Conditions" in the 13 September Sovetskaya Rossiya. The Soviet goal is to prevent war by supporting independence and neutralism in Afro-Asian and Latin American countries and to expand the anticolonialism, labor, and peace movements in those countries.

Premier Khrushchev's coexistence line has been accepted by the East European countries; and except for Albania, all the East European countries have contributed resolutions in support of the Khrushchev line. According to observers in Moscow, North Korea and North Vietnam have indicated almost complete support of this line. Khrushchev is placing considerable expectation on the results of the disarmament discussions at the UN General Assembly because even a single step forward in the Soviet disarmament plan would

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mean the definite strengthening of his ideological position -- Tanihata, Mainichi special correspondent.

DESCRIBES USSR AS "FIRST AMONG EQUALS" -- Bratislava, Protifasisticky Bojovnik, No 8, Aug 60

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We are entering the epoch of the development of a mature socialist society in Czechoslovakia. By realizing the magnificent tasks of the Third Five-Year Plan we shall create the prerequisites for attaining the objectives of Communism. We have continued to advance during the years of our free life in the strongly locked ranks of the mighty, invincible socialist camp, which has been and continues to be led by the first among equals, the USSR.

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ECONOMIC

STATISTICS ON WOMEN IN PRODUCTION -- Peiping, Lao-tung, No 11, 3 Jun 60, pp 5-6

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Rural women have become an army of major strength in agricultural production, and urban women have become a major strength in state-operated enterprises and programs and in the production and welfare operations of urban communes. According to statistics, female employees and workers in state-operated enterprises and programs have now increased to more than 8 million and are distributed throughout the nation in all departments. Incomplete statistics for March indicate that more than 2 million persons were participating in the industrial production of urban communes, and of these, the majority were female. According to statistics for the last half of 1959, more than 540,000 advanced producers were women, equivalent to the figure for all of 1958.

AUSTERITY PROMOTED -- Shanghai, Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 31 Aug 60, p 3

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Workers of the higher and intermediate people's courts in Peiping are using all means to reduce expenditures. For example, only 1,000 yuan was spent for the Municipal Legal Work Conference and the Advanced Legal Workers Conference without sacrificing good food and accommodations for the conferees; the courts have not purchased any furniture since 1957; the courts' curtains have been washed and mended repeatedly to save the expense of over 1,000 yuan for new curtains; and the backs of obsolete official letters and rough draft papers are used for printing official documents.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICE TRANSFER -- Shanghai, Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 25 Aug 60, p 5

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In preparation for turning over the office to a successor [possibly the newly formed Third Ministry of Machine Building], our office will soon be reorganized. Units holding delivery orders of the Shanghai Sales Office of the First Ministry of Machine Building are asked to make arrangements immediately with the designated warehouses to get their goods. In case of difficulty, the unit is asked to register [its claim] with the warehouse presentation of its delivery order. — Announcement of Shanghai Sales Office of First Ministry of Machine Building.

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MILITARY

FIRST YUGOSLAV-BUILT SUBMARINE -- Belgrade, Borba, 10 Sep 60, p 4

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In honor of Navy Day, the submarine "Sutjeska" was transferred to Yugoslav Navy in the "Uljanik" Shipyards in Rijeka. This is the first submarine built in Yugoslav shipyards.

NAVAL OFFICERS COMMISSIONED -- Belgrade, Borba, 10 Sep 60, p 4

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In honor of Navy Day, cadets of the 12th class of the Naval Academy in Divulje near Split were commissioned as second lieutenants. The cadets of the ninth class of the Naval Engineering Academy received their commissions on the same day.

ALERT POLICE MANEUVERS -- Berlin, Informationsbuero West, 20 Sep 60

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Alert Police units have been conducting maneuvers in the northern part of Kreis Luebz and in Kreis Sternberg, Bezirk Schwerin, since 18 September. Units of the Workers Militia and the [East] German Red Cross are also participating in the exercises. The population in both areas has been requested to support the military units in the maneuver area.